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Applicants have reviewed the Final Office Action mailed on <u>June 27, 2008</u>. Applicants are filing a Request for Continued Examination and a request for a three-month extension of time along with this Response in order to maintain pendency of the present application. Applicants, however, reserve the right to request a refund of the RCE fee due to the improper finality of the June 27, 2008, which is discussed further herein. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following.